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In re Application of: § BEFORE THE EXAMINER:

Richard H. Schlosberg et al. § Karl J. Puttlitz

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Polycarboxylic Acids or Derivatives

Thereof"

Customer No.: 23455 § Date: February 19, 2009

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AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action of December 19, 2008, Applicant's respectfully request entry and consideration of the amendments and remarks below.

Amendments to the claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Support for the Amendments begin on page 11 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 12 of this paper.